

High Performers

Two Individuals Recognized for their Contributions to JMG

Our congratulations and thanks goes to the winners of the Jobs for Montana's Graduates "High Performer Award" for the 2011-2012 program year. They are recognized for demonstrating a strong commitment to the JMG program with continued dedication and service to their students. We commend them for their efforts, thank them for being a part of the Jobs for Montana's Graduates team, and congratulate them for their overall success!



Bruce Clausen, Principal, Dawson County High School, Glendive

Dawson County High School has had a highly successful JMG program for many years, in large part due to the support of the school principal, Bruce Clausen. Mr. Clausen has always found room in the schedule for a JMG class and has always provided time in a teacher's schedule to be a JMG Specialist. He has been a strong supporter of the program since it was first implemented in the fall of 1999 and feels that they are reaching the right population of students. The JMG program at Dawson County High School had a 100% Graduation Rate for program year 2010-11 and have met or exceeded all 5 standards set by JAG. Mr. Clausen has seen firsthand the positive impact JMG has had on his students and appreciates the opportunity to have such a program in his school.

Betty Taylor, former Guidance Counselor and JMG Specialist, Plains High School

Former Career Specialist at Plains High School, Betty Taylor, taught JMG for 20 years before retiring from her last spring. She was instrumental in bringing the JMG program into the halls of Plains High School back in 1991. Betty has assisted countless students through her mentoring and guidance in application processes for scholarships, employment, post-secondary education and the military. Plains High School's JMG program is strong, continuing to win numerous awards statewide and nationally. This, in part, is due to the solid foundation that was put in place by Mrs. Taylor 22 years ago! Betty has fought effortlessly to see that the students from Plains continue to succeed well after graduation and her loyalty and commitment to her students is evident by the many photos of high school seniors that hung in her office. This honor is a testament of her dedication and devotion to the JMG program in Montana.



JOBS FOR MONTANA'S GRADUATES

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JMG CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

APRIL 30-MAY 1, 2013

HILTON GARDEN INN – MISSOULA, MT

- **Registration materials were sent in mid-February and are posted online.**
- **Deadline for room reservations: March 30.** If you haven't done so, make your reservations today at the Hilton Garden Inn: 406-532-5300 or Courtyard Marriot: 406-549-5260
- Know someone who would be interested in judging a competitive event? If so, give us their email and we will send them an invite to judge.

DUE MARCH 29th
 *Registration forms
 *Competitive event entries
 *Scholarship applications

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN MISSOULA!

Spring monitoring visits *are coming in late March.*
Program managers are contacting specialists regarding the schedule; please try to accommodate it as we want to give each school the time it deserves. See you out on the road!

SAVE THE DATE: FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 10/29/2013

The 2013 Fall Leadership Conference will be held in Helena at the Red Lion Colonial Hotel on Tuesday, October 29, 2013.
 Plan to be there next school year!

End of Year Database Entry: Due May 24

eNDMS database entry needed:

- 2012 Senior follow-up
- 2012 8th grade follow-up
- Model Services
- School/Job placement
- 2013 Graduation dates
- 2013 End of year status

DATE REMINDERS:

- **March 22:** Submit photos/articles for May newsletter
- **March 29:** Deadline to submit
 - CDC registration
 - JMG scholarship applications
- **April 30-May 1:** Career Development Conference in Missoula, MT
- **May 24:** eNDMS database DUE!
- **July 8-12:** JAG NTS in Nashville, TN
- **Late Summer 2013:** JMG Specialist Training



JMG Winter Training 2013

Thank you to those specialists who attended JMG Winter Training! The following page has more pictures of the event.



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In addition to other activities, High School Specialists who attended received an educational board game, "Achievus," to use with high school students that makes learning values, principals, and teamwork fun!

